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PATENT

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Applicant: Hegeman et al.

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For: DISHWASHER FINE FILTER
ASSEMBLY WITH FULL
DRAIN SLOPE

Art Unit: 1746

Examiner: Perrin, Joseph

AMENDMENT

Box Non Fee Amendment
Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

In response to the Office Action dated January 29, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

4. (Once Amended) A fine filter assembly in accordance with Claim 3 said flow path substantially helical between said inlet and said outlet.

Remarks

The Office Action mailed January 29, 2003 has been carefully reviewed and the foregoing amendment has been made in consequence thereof.

Claims 1-20 are now pending in this application. Claims 1-20 stand rejected. Claims 4 and 5 have been objected to.

The objection to Claims 4 and 5 is respectfully traversed. Claim 4 has been amended accordingly. Applicants therefore request that the objection to Claims 4 and 5 be withdrawn.